



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
B.A. No.8500 of 2022

Ratan Hembram Petitioner

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. Sanoti Besra Opposite Parties

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Om Prakash, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Sanjay Kr. Srivastava, Addl.P.P

Order No.07 Dated- 20/01/2023

Heard the parties.

The petitioner has moved this Court for grant of bail in connection with Littipara P.S. Case No.14 of 2020 registered under Sections 376, 417, 323, 504/34 of the Indian Penal Code.

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner committed rape upon the victim and cheated her. It is submitted that the allegation against the petitioner is false. It is next submitted that the petitioner was admitted to provisional bail vide order dated 03.12.2020 for a period of three months but after being released on bail, the petitioner did not surrender before the learned trial court even after the expiry of the period for which the petitioner was admitted to provisional bail and ultimately he was arrested by police. It is next submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 27.04.2022 which is evident from para-16 of the instant bail application. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner be admitted to bail.

Learned Addl.P.P. appearing for the State vehemently opposed the prayer for bail of the petitioner and submits that keeping in view the conduct of the petitioner of not surrendering before the trial court even after the expiry of the period for which he was admitted to provisional bail and also the serious nature of allegation against him of committing rape upon the prosecutrix, there is every chance of the petitioner absconding if admitted to bail. Hence, it is submitted that the petitioner ought not be admitted to bail.

Considering the serious nature of allegation against the petitioner and his conduct of not surrendering before the trial court even after the expiry of the period for which he was admitted to provisional bail, this Court is not



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inclined to admit the above named petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the prayer for bail of the above named petitioner is rejected.

The trial court is directed to expedite the trial and to conclude the trial expeditiously preferably within a period of six months from the date of receipt of copy of this order by the trial court.

(Anil Kumar Choudhary, J.)

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